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1. The Tmavy Dul black-coal and uranium mine is located about 800 meters east of the town of Odolov, in the Trutnov district. The mine covers an area about 200 x 200 meters in size. (For the location see Annex A.) There are two fences, the outer one being double, barbed wire, about 3.5 meters high. There are guard posts at the corners. Fifteen meters inside the first fence there is a second fence about three meters high. It is made of planks through which it is not possible to see. Prisoners have no access to the area between the fences.
2. Radioactive material only is mined on the morning shift. The radioactive material lies above the layer of coal. The layer of radioactive material is about 20 centimeters thick and is found only on the third level. Coal is mined on the afternoon shift, and the average output per shift is 800 carloads. The radioactive material lying above the vein of coal is black and looks like coal, being indistinguishable from it. It is slightly powdery.
3. Coal is taken out through the Tmavy Dul mine itself. Radioactive material is taken underground to the Ida mine, which is about three kilometers west of Tmavy Dul. There it is brought to the surface and removed to an unknown destination after it has been sorted.
4. Power is supplied for surface requirements from a nearby power station, exact location not known. Current for mine requirements is supplied on a lead from the Ida mine.
5. Two shifts are worked in the pit, manned by 380 prisoners from the camp and 200 civilians. The percentage of women is not known; nor is it known whether or not there are brigaders. The wages for prisoners are about 700 - 800 crowns a month gross, of which they get about 140 crowns a month pocket money. Civilians earn about 1,000 - 1,200 crowns net a month. The maximum earnings reach about 2,000 crowns net a month.

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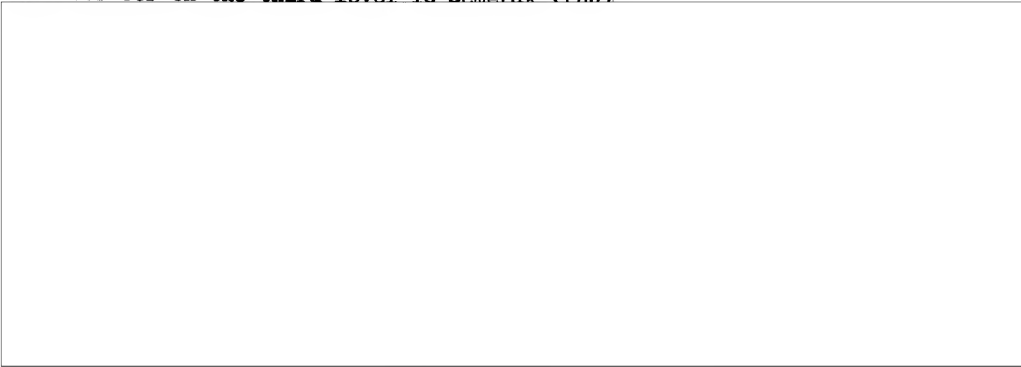
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6. There are no Russians at the mine. Inspectors with Geiger counters come from Jachymov to inspect the radioactive material. Their number is not known.
7. The prison camp and the whole mine area is guarded by StB and Works Militia. There are over 20 of each, and they carry out guard duties together in mixed detachments.
8. The overseer on the third level is Samerak (fmu)  50X1-HUM



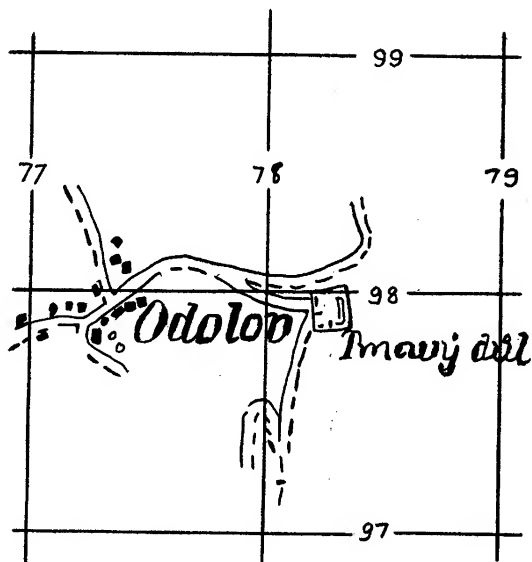
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Annex A



Location of Tmavj Dul Coal & Uranium Mine

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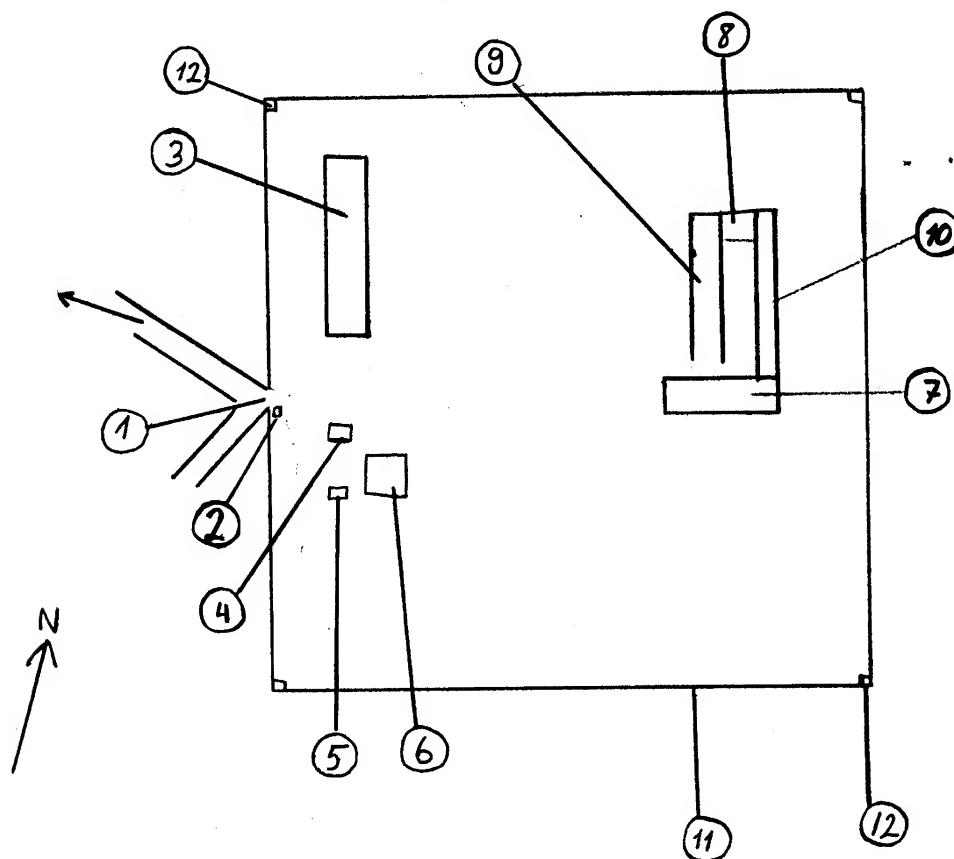
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Annex B



Layout of Heavy Dul Mine
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Legend to Annex B

1. Entrance to the mine area.
2. Porter's office, at the gate, masonry, single-story, 2.5 x 2.5 m.
3. Mine offices and administration in a two-storied building, masonry, 60 x 15 m. There are bathrooms for the mine employees on the ground floor, and the offices are on the second floor.
4. Pit head, about 10 m, high. The mine has three levels and is about 400 meters deep. Only the third level is worked, the others being merely maintained in order.
5. Compressor room and transformer, in a masonry building, 6 x 6 x 6 meters in size.
6. Machine repairs shop for the mine, in a single-story masonry building 15 x 15 x 6 meters in size.
7. StB quarters for StB doing guard duty over the prisoners. Wooden, single-story building 40 x 12 meters in size.
8. Offices for Prison Camp Command, in a wooden, single-story building between two blocks of prisoners' quarters. The building is 10 x 10 meters in size.
9. Prisoners' quarters, a wooden, single-story building, about 50 x 8 meters in size.
10. Prisoners' quarters, a wooden, single-story building 55 x 8 meters in size, which also contains the camp kitchens.
11. Fence round the mine area.
12. Guard towers at the corners of the fence, wooden, about 12 meters high. Each is always manned by one guard armed with an automatic carbine and a light MG. There is a searchlight on each tower.

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